

would become of any who applied to him : nay, he told me I should write his life, and not one little boy or girl in ten read it through, before they had tore it to pieces, which, however well it might answer Mr. *Marshall's* ends who sells this book, would answer no other end to the buyers, than learning them to keep their money in their pockets, and not to bestow books on slovenly children.

*CROP* was a very clever fellow, I assure you ; and when a very little boy indeed, could read his Primer, or any thing else he had a mind for. He has a great deal of Learning now, and will make any little boy or girl good, if they will attend to his instructions.

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Now pray, Mr. *Crop*, tell me my Fortune, says *Billy Learwell*. Yes, and with much pleasure, says *Crop* : You will be a great man, for you mind your book, you shall have horses and coaches plenty, and every thing you wish for, if you continue in the same good way you are now in.

*Sam Lickspit* was the next : You shall have a great many good thrashings for stealing pies, and bread and butter. So take care you are not too fond of your belly, else your breech may pay for it ; and this is the reason why every little boy has two eyes and but one mouth, that they may see many nice things without wanting to eat them all. Aye, but, says *Sam*, my mouth is twice

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